

City of Corunna
Regular Council Meeting
Monday, August 5, 2002

Present: Jessen, Johnson, Mehigh, Runyan, Sanderson, Wagner.

Absent: Corey (excused).

Guests: Joe Sawyer, City Manager; Janet Washburn, Parks and Recreation Director; Judy Horton; Larry LeCureux; Tim Crawford, Superintendent of Public Works; Shirley Sanderson; Bernie & Pat Yott; Sgt. Kevin Clark, Police Department; Jackie Leone, The Argus Press; and other concerned citizens.

The meeting was called to order in the City Council Chambers by Mayor Pro-Tem Runyan at 7:00 p.m.

MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS REGULAR MEETING: Johnson moved, Sanderson seconded to approve the regular meeting minutes of July 15, 2002 as presented.

Roll call vote:

Yes: Wagner, Johnson, Sanderson, Runyan, Jessen, Mehigh.

No: None.

Motion CARRIED

MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS SPECIAL MEETING: Wagner moved, Mehigh seconded to approve the special meeting minutes of Tuesday, July 30, 2002 as presented.

Roll call vote:

Yes: Sanderson, Mehigh, Johnson, Jessen, Wagner, Runyan.

No: None.

Motion CARRIED

AGENDA APPROVAL: Mehigh moved, Jessen seconded to approve the agenda with the addition of Item No. 6) Instruct Planning Commission to Review Fence Ordinance and Send a Recommendation to the City Council.

Roll call vote:

Yes: Jessen, Runyan, Mehigh, Wagner, Johnson, Sanderson.

No: None.

Motion CARRIED

APPROVAL OF VENDOR DISBURSEMENTS: Mehigh moved, Sanderson seconded to approve the vendor disbursements as presented.

Roll call vote:

Yes: Runyan, Wagner, Jessen, Sanderson, Mehigh, Johnson.

No: None.

Motion CARRIED

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT/PRE-COUNCIL DISCUSSION: Joe Sawyer advised he had nothing additional to report.

CONSIDER GRANDSTAND ROOF BIDS: Mr. Sawyer explained the city received two bids last year to replace the grandstand roof. The quote from Complete Builders included tearing off and rebuilding the grandstand roof while the bid from Longs Home Improvement was to replace the rotted areas so the scope of the work was drastically different. He further explained the two concepts were sent to the insurance company, and the insurance company awarded the city \$18,000 with the instruction to completely replace the roof. The city did some more advertising in order to get additional bids before the project was awarded, and the city was successful in getting an additional bid from Heavilin Construction in the amount of \$17,950. Complete Builders rebuilt the gazebo in front of McCurdy Park that was damaged by a fallen tree and built the police department addition, but the city has not had any experience with Mr. Heavilin. Mr. Sawyer reviewed the proposals from Complete Builders and Heavilin Construction, and advised that the Heavilin Construction proposal was using a superior construction technique that would last longer than any person would and the grandstand ceiling would be very attractive to look at. Councilperson Mehigh asked Mr. Sawyer if he was recommending accepting the bid from Complete Builders. Mr. Sawyer advised no, he was recommending accepting the bid from Heavilin Construction. Johnson moved, Sanderson seconded to award the grandstand roof bid to Heavilin Construction in the amount of \$17,950 to be paid for from line item 208-000-818.000 and to instruct the city manager to prepare the necessary budget amendments for the next budget amendment resolution.

Roll call vote:

Yes: Mehigh, Jessen, Runyan, Johnson, Sanderson, Wagner.

No: None.

Motion CARRIED

CONSIDER POLICE CHIEF & CLERK SALARY REVIEW: Mehigh moved, Jessen seconded to approve a \$600 annual increase in the clerk's salary and a \$1,500 increase in the police chief's salary retroactive to July 1, 2002 and instruct the city manager to prepare the necessary budget amendments for the next budget amendment resolution.

Roll call vote:

Yes: Johnson, Sanderson, Wagner, Mehigh, Runyan, Jessen.

No: None.

Motion CARRIED

CONSIDER UPDATES TO CROSS CONNECTION PROGRAM: Mr. Sawyer advised there have been some plumbing code changes that are requiring some modifications to the cross connection program. He further advised council approval was needed to change the cross connection program before the program is sent into the state for their approval. The modifications will cost the city \$300.00. Johnson moved, Sanderson seconded to approve the changes to the cross connection program as presented.

Roll call vote:

Yes: Wagner, Johnson, Sanderson, Runyan, Jessen, Mehigh.

No: None.

Motion CARRIED

CONSIDER APPOINTMENT OF STEPHANIE SAMEK TO FOREST MANAGEMENT

BOARD: Jessen moved, Johnson seconded to appoint Stephanie Samek to the Forest Management Commission to serve at the pleasure of the council for a term to begin upon the

taking of the oath of office and continuing until December 31, 2003 or until a successor is appointed. Mayor Pro-Tem Runyan stated council accepts Mr. Schooley's resignation with regrets.

Roll call vote:

Yes: Jessen, Runyan, Mehig, Wagner, Johnson, Sanderson.

No: None.

Motion CARRIED

CONSIDER ADULT IN-LINE HOCKEY LEASE: Jessen moved, Mehig seconded to approve the Adult In-Line Hockey Lease for the 2002/2003 season as presented. Councilperson Sanderson asked if the fencing would be put up before the league starts. Mr. Sawyer advised he has not spoken with them in several months. Councilperson Sanderson asked if the city would allow the league to play if the fencing is not up. Mr. Sawyer advised he would check to see what the status of the fence is. Janet Washburn advised she thought the hockey rink group was still raising money. Mr. Sawyer reminded council that the lease before council was for the adult league.

Roll call vote:

Yes: Runyan, Wagner, Jessen, Sanderson, Mehig, Johnson.

No: None.

Motion CARRIED

INSTRUCT PLANNING COMMISSION TO REVIEW FENCE ORDINANCE AND SEND RECOMMENDATION TO THE CITY COUNCIL: Mehig moved, Jessen seconded to instruct the planning commission to review the fence ordinance and send a recommendation back to the city council. Councilperson Mehig stated a review of the fence ordinance was needed in order to bring the city more in line with other communities.

Roll call vote:

Yes: Sanderson, Mehig, Johnson, Jessen, Wagner, Runyan.

No: None.

Motion CARRIED

CALL TO AUDIENCE: Janet Washburn advised the city had its first annual little league picnic on July 31. She thanked Judy Horton, Millie Taute, Chris Taute and the Fourth of July Commission for getting the picnic served. Ms. Washburn reported that over 600 people attended the picnic, but most of the sponsors were not present. She further reported the cost of the picnic was \$1.25 per plate.

Judy Horton advised the playscape has been resealed. She further advised there are pickets still available for purchase.

ROUNDTABLE DISCUSSION: Councilperson Sanderson asked if any headway was made with the Downtown Development Authority about pulling the weeds on Main Street. Mr. Sawyer advised the Downtown Development Authority voted to sponsor such a group, but there has not been anything done at this point. He further advised maybe some kind of sign up sheet could be circulated.

Mayor Pro-Tem Runyan reminded council about the Kroger open house on Wednesday and asked who was attending so city hall could make the phone call instead of everyone having to make a long distance phone call.

Councilperson Mehig stated the street project pleased his heart, but he would like to see a little more publicity. He suggested faxing something to the newspapers. He further stated he felt the citizens in the community would be more than pleased with the amount of streets that will be done. Mr. Sawyer advised he would get a press release out to the newspapers.

Mr. Sawyer advised the Medieval Festival would be held in the lower level of McCurdy Park this weekend. He further advised he and Councilpersons Mehig, Runyan, Sanderson as well as Tim Crawford and Mark Hetfield would be gone Thursday to visit a dam in Saginaw County that was repaired instead of being removed. Mr. Sawyer also advised Ms. Washburn has reserved an Indian Trails bus for August 13 to go to the state capital to plead with the state officials not to take away the city's money. The cost is \$15 per person.

ADJOURN: Johnson moved, Jessen seconded to adjourn.

Roll call vote:

Yes: Johnson, Sanderson, Wagner, Mehig, Runyan, Jessen.

No: None.

Motion CARRIED Time was 7:43 p.m.

LARRY RUNYAN, MAYOR PRO-TEM

YVONNE F. LONG, CITY CLERK